## Griffith Has Hope of Strengthening Nationals Before Winter Is Over

is successes might be traced to a few

at every opportunity.

6. Making a point, even in practice, to follow all simple rules, such as keeping one's head still, looking at the ball,

# GRIFFITH HAS HOPE

Expects to Be Able to Make a Trade or Two Which Will Strengthen Nationals.

MAY ACQUIRE MATERIAL FROM FIELDER JONES

Sinclair Probably Will Have Hard Time Getting Rid of Long-Term Players-Base Ball Gossip.

### BY J. ED GRILLO.

one of being able to make a trade or inter is over. If Fielder Jones makes arrangements to take charge of

## Is Keynote of Speeches at Big Col-

lege Athletic Conference. NEW YORK, December 29 .- Dean Le Baron Briggs of Harvard presided during the first session of the National Collegiate Athletic Association's annual convention here yesterday. Complete control of college athletics by college faculties was the keynote of the specker made.

letics."

After the luncheon recess the afternoon session was taken up with committee reports. At last night's session
former President Taft spoke on "College Athletica."

VARDON, GREATEST GOLFER, A GENIUS AND A PLODDER

OF BOOSTING TEAM Of All Players His Form the Most Perfect. Braid and Taylor Figure Close to the Nonpareil.

But when, out of the big field, you run cross one man who is making the game look so easy that a child might play it, whose form is the last word in poetry, and who from 180 to 220 yards is putting a full shot closer to the pin than most cracks can place a mashie, he reorganized Browns he may have you may know that at last you are ganized Browns he may have you may know that at last you are that he can spare. For in- looking at the greatest golfer the looking at the greatest golfer the world has ever seen—and your quest will vary much more than Vardon's for Vardon will be over.

BY JEROME D. TRAVERS.

If you should ever visit the British Isles while a big golf tournament is in progress and should desire to watch Harry Vardon, with no one around to point Vardon out, I can furnish you at least one simple direction that will make the quest easy:

You will hardly discover him off the tee where there will be many far and straight.

Often necessary not to drive straight down the middle, but to place the tee shot within a certain narrow limit, to the right or the left. By placing this shot exactly right the hole is opened up for a fairly easy second. In playing with Taylor I noticed after every tee shot that his ball would stop almost at the spot where he would have walked up and placed it with his hand if he had been permitted. With that short half swing he is the most accurate driver that I have ever seen. It was not with him a questio nof yards, but You will hardly be able to pick him out with him a questio nof yards, but of feet—I might almost say inches. He was not nearly so long as Vardon or their next shot.

## Taylor Man of Moods.

Here again he differed from Vardon

make arrangements to take charge of the recognition from the recognition from the property of the state of the state of the state of the common the first of the state of the common that the property of the state of the common that the common tha

ter how badly the break goes against him. He has learned the rare art of times the rest of us do; sometimes we taking the game just as it comes, with never a complaint.

3. He has had the advantage of keen competition over the most wonderful courses in the world, an advantage no American golfer possesses; and, unlike most professionals, he practices at the competition of the practices at the practices at the competition of the practices at the practi

like most professionals, he practices at every chance. Vardon will work for hours with one club, not so much to improve his play—which could hardly be bettered—but to retain his skill and to make each stroke machine-like—to establish a force of habit to such an extent that the club will almost play litself.

Vardon has genius and with it—a rare combination—the capacity for infinite patience.

ently they are never going the limit in any shot.

There are a lot of good golfers who have perfect grips, perfect stances, and swing in the correct way. But at times, under stress or strain, they can't help looking up too soon or swaying the body or committing some other fault. But they take care of the main and simpler ingredients of the game—the part where the average golfer falls down.

After Mr. Briggs and Prof. Albert Lefevre of the University of Virginia had delivered addresses President Harry A. Garfield of Williams College made a plea for a system of collegiate athletics in which every student would have a chance to participate.

Many students are barred from active athletics, he said, because of their inability to make the first team in the sport in which they were interested. He advocated the encouragement of such men by the organization of additional teams.

Speaking on "Athletic Standards." Dean Howard McClenahan of Princeton University approved of the faculty controlling all athletic activities in the colleges. Prof. Robert N. Corwin of Tale spoke on "College Ideals and Athletics."

After the luncheon recess the after-

The St. Louis Browns having signer several native St. Louis players for trial to satisfy the demands of their boosters, the Cardinals in self-defense that this was true, but at the finish the thing that impressed me most about his game was his supposedly weakest point—his driving.

English courses, or most of them, are so trapped and bunkered that it is missing in Vardon's make-up. He isn't yet ripe for that class.

Cathorine's, 96; C. B. Hudson, North Fork, 97;

Ahearn to Box Gibbons Jan. 18.

ten-round bout Tuesday night, January

18, according to announcement made

monia, has resumed training.

Gibbons, who was ill with pneu-

ST. PAUL, December 29.-Young hearn of Brooklyn and Mike Gibbons o

HELD HERE AND IN BALTIMORE

nervous; he isn't overeager, but he has perfect control of his mental faculties. If he didn't, not even his wonderful skill would make him a charmpion. George Duncan is as brilliaint as Vardon is. He can play just as many varieties of shots. He can play just as many varieties of shots. He can play single rounds that no living man can beat. In one match, some time back, Vardon was going at a wonderful clip, with a 71 and a 72. Duncan, playing like a whirlwind, had a 70 and a 69. But Duncan hasn't the same control of his nerves. Therefore Duncan has yet to win a championship, where Vardon has won six.

SANCTIONS ISSUED FOR MEETS

HELD HERE AND IN BALTIMO

George Washington and H

kins Indoor Track Games to Take Place of the property of the perfect control of his mental faculties.

February 19 March 4 and February 19 Georgetown, George Washington and Hopkins Indoor Track Games to Take Place February 19, March 4 and February 12.

wen six.

So beyond all Vardon's great skill, wonderful style and the rest of his physical perfections the fact remains that he has reached the height of obtaining almost perfect control of his mental equipment, enabling him to playe each shot as it ought to be played in the heat of the fight. If he had retained this same control of himself on the putting ground and kept his putting up to the standard of his other play he could have paralyzed all competition for the last fifteen years. As it is he has done well enough, and most of his successes might be traced to a few for the desired parallel for February 19, March 4:

BY H. C. BYRD.

Sanctions have been issued for the three indoor track and field meets to be held in Washington and Baltimore this winter. The two which are to take place here, at Convention Hall, are scheduled for February 19 and March 4. Club The former will be under the auspices of the Georgetown University, and the simple rules:

1. Control of temper.

2. Refusing to worry over any bad lie or any hard luck.

3. Playing easily within himself and never pressing.

4. Playing always for the hole, even when 200 yards away.

5. Studying his game and practicing at every opportunity.

held by the Blue and Gray has usually taken place the first Saturday in March, while this year it is booked for the third in February, the week following the one in Baltimore. George Washington, instead of holding its games the third or fourth Saturday in February, will take the first in March, is services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the game can his services to all lovers of the match the high can be all the

BY H. C. BYRD.

Sanctions have been issued for the three indoor track and field meets to be held in Washington and Baltimore this though, defraying their own expenses. winter. The two which are to take place here, at Convention Hall, are scheduled for February 19 and March 4.

of the Georgetown University, and the latter directed by George Washington University. The first of the meets will take place in Baltimore, February 12, and will be given jointly by the John Hopkins University and 5th Regiment of the National Guard of Maryland.

The Hopkins-5th Regiment games are scheduled for about the same time as in previous years, the second Saturday in February. The dates for the Georgetin February. The dates for the Georgetin February in February in February in February. The dates for the Georgetin February in Februar

games the third or fourth Saturday in February, will take the first in March, which in previous years has been Georgetown's. Last year the George Washington meet took place the Saturday previous to that of Hopkins.

These are the three meets in which local representation is the largest. The Georgetown and George Washington games are featured by the entrance of every man in the District who makes any attempt to take part in track and field competition, and the majority of them go to Baltimore to try their skill on the best indoor track in the south. The colleges and schools are particularly represented in the Baltimore to by all to be a great loss."

# Dertinent Comment

By J. ED GRILLO.

The one obstacle in the way of selling Federal League players who are under long-term contracts is that the salaries of these individuals is far beyond what the majority of them are worth, and for this reason the sixteen clubs of the two major leagues will hesitate a long while before they will pay over real cash for this outfit.

Of the seventy odd players who are on this list a small percentage is of the capable class so far as the major leagues are conerned. It is decidedly questionable how many of these players can hold their own in either the National or American league, because they have been facing mostly mediocre pitchers and had the advantage of a lively ball.

Ball clubs are not going to tie them- a valuable addition to the team. The selves up for a couple of years with fact that the Feds went out of business some doubtful material which will them does not make his contract bindshots that no other could ever hope to make, for he has not only a wonderful nerve, but a wonderful physique that enables him to achieve the almost impossible.

Made Big Advance.

When Braid first swung into professional competition, unlike Vardon and Taylor, he showed little prospect of championship form. He was a poor diver, a very short one from the tee, and a poor putter. But here the dogged determination and iron will of the man of the national commission, would it not?" he countered.

Ball clubs are not going to tie themselves. A major league club owner expressed the opinion yesterday that Gilmore was one doubtful material which will one of the smartest men in the game. "Gilmore showed himself a true sportsman in the peace proceedings," said he, "and I hope he lights on his feet. He has great administrative ability."

Gilmore showed himself a true sportsman in the peace proceedings, said he, "and I hope he lights on his feet. He has great administrative ability."

Gilmore was asked if he is slated for a seat with the national commission ers.

"It would be quite a drop from president of the Federal League to chairman of the national commission, would it not?" he countered.

It rounds since he reached here, and 'it was expected that he would keep up his good work and have no difficulty in leading the field.

Three Washington players, Johnson, Clapp and Appleman, played good golf, our but luck was against them, and they had to be content with berths in the field of minety-one players qualified in five divisions of sixteen each for match play to continue one round each steel by places in the first division, and 125 was the limit of the fifth division. Play was the limit of the fifth division, and 125 was the limit of the fifth division, Play was the limit of the fifth division. Play

players under "Jimmy" Callahan who is sure that "Jimmy" will make good at the head of the Pittsburgh team. Cicotte hands out the following boost for his hands out the following boost for his former manager:

"Callahan is a fine fellow personally and a manager who knows a lot of base ball. Jimmy' is a rough and ready sort of person, and he can lead a team of old ball players. I expect him to shove that Pittsburgh club close up in the 1916 National League pennant race, and it wouldn't surprise me to see the Pirates finish ahead."

Cicotte pointed out that Callahan finish ahead."
Cicotte pointed out that Callahan
failed to produce a winner in Chicago
because of his inability to get the best
work out of a collection of youngsters.

Eddie Cicotte is one of the forme

them does not make his contract bind ing, and Ebbets expects to be able t buy him from the San Francisco club which is said to be willing to sell.

## LEWIS OUTBOXES RITCHIE.

Willie Failed to Follow Up Advan-

tage Gained at Start.

Secretary expire suith the and of 1977 or 1978. In summer of a control to the control of the con leaguers is not plain.

Simply because he had the distinction of leading the Federal League in batting last season, "Benny" Kauff, the seems all very good opinion of himself, He seems to have a very good opinion of himself, He seems to be under the impression that, regardless of which of the major leagues in the pitchers out of business, and, indentally, he contends that he is a free agent and will sell himself to hateverage. It will be well for "Benny" to face a few of the major league pitchers before he starts building up a batting average. The place to get an average with the pitchers out on the ball field, and "Benny" to face a few of the major league pitchers before he starts building up a batting average. The place to get an average sint of the major league pitchers before he starts building up a batting average. The place to get an average with the conclusion of the bout, but Ritchie besies having a cut over the loss into the .300 in

Appointed to Boost the Game.

A temporary organization of the formed recently, at which time D. M. Greene of the land office was appointed temporary chairman, and Hugh A. Bill Dahlen are the likely new Brown, reclamation service, temporary secretary.
In connection with the organization

following members of a committee to consider and report on the advisability of combining the Home Club Tennis Association, proposed to be formed, and \$50,000. because of his inability to get the best work out of a collection of youngsters.

Outfielder "Jimmy" Johnston of the Coast League signed with the Brook-bets of the Brookin club conferred with Johnston while touring on the coast, and he is under the impression that the player will report to the Dodgers in the spring and will prove the interior Departmental Tennis Association, now existing; to report also to report also fornia of Frank Chance and John Evers burying the hatchet. It seems that team in the Departmental Tennis Association, now existing; to report also fornia of Frank Chance and John Evers burying the hatchet. It seems that Barney Oldfield, a mutual friend, got the two together, made them shake of for that purposes B. F. Andrews, burying the hatchet. It seems that Barney Oldfield, a mutual friend, got the two together, made them shake of for that purposes B. F. Andrews, burying the hatchet. It seems that Barney Oldfield, a mutual friend, got the two together, made them shake of for that purposes B. F. Andrews, burying the hatchet. It seems that Barney Oldfield, a mutual friend, got the two together, made them shake of for that purposes B. F. Andrews, burying the hatchet. It seems that Barney Oldfield, a mutual friend, got the two together, made them shake of for the purposes. B. F. Andrews, burying the hatchet. It seems that Barney Oldfield, a mutual friend, got white Sox have signed a team in the Operatmental Tennis An interesting story comes from Call-burying the hatchet. It seems that Barney Oldfield, a mutual friend, got white Sox have signed a team in the Operatmental Tennis An interesting story comes from Call-burying the hatchet. It seems that burying the Interior Departmental Tennis As-

## THE benefits of a Turkish Bath all depend upon how it is administered.

Our attendants are skilled and intelligent. They know their business and study to render to each patron the best possible service.

You'll enjoy the luxurious appointments here—the perfect ventilation-the spotless cleanliness-the minute conveniences-and the high-grade personnel of

## Riggs-Lafayette Baths (Inc.),

Riggs Building-15th and G Streets.

logical survey.; H. K. Mannock, bureau of mines; John Harvey, Secretary's office; C. G. James, pension office; L. M. Colville, Indian office.

A committee was appointed to consider plans for the coming season and to report at the time the permanent organization of the Home Club Tennis Association is effected. The membership of this committee is John B. Beadle, reclamation service, chairman; A. J. Hendley, bureau of mines; C. G. James, pension office; C. E. Frye, Indian office; O. W. Lange, Secretary's office; Dr. R. C. Wells, geological survey; F. H. Stone, patent office; H. A. Daidy, land office.

Chairman Greene has also appointed

land office.

Chairman Greene has also appointed a committee to arrange for another Home Club tennis smoker or meeting in lieu thereof, as appears advisable to the committee, and to act also as a membership committee to obtain members for the proposed Home Club Tennis Association. The membership of this committee is: J. J. Cotter, Secretary's office, chairman; C. G. James, pension office; C. E. Frye, Indian office; C. N. McCulloch, reclamation service;

tary's office, chairman; C. G. James, pension office; C. E. Frye, Indian office; C. N. McCulloch, reclamation service; B. F. Andrews, bureau of education; A. J. Hendley, bureau of mines; H. J. Jackson, geological survey; F. H. Stone, patent office, and W. S. Binley, land office.

A committee on rules and by-laws for the proposed Home Club Tennis Association has also been appointed as follows: John Swift, bureau of mines, chairman; H. J. Jackson, geological survey; R. E. Marine, patent office; C. P. Du Bose, pension office; H. A. Brown, reclamation service; B. F. Andrews, bureau of education; H. A. Daidy; land office; C. E. Frye, Indian office; G. J. Hesselman, Secretary's office.

fice.

It will also be necessary for the organization to enter into some kind of agreement with John F. Bethune of Col. Harts' office relative to the use of the municipal courts which are to be used. A committee of which Mr. Greene is chairman has been appointed for this purpose.

## BASE BALL BRIEFS.

The Cincinnati club has returned Safety Pitcher Robert (Pat) Callahan to the Spokane Northwestern League club. It was decided that he is not yet ripe for najor league company.

Pitcher Stanley Covaleskie, who was ticketed for Cleveland, now goes to the Phillies as a result of the new working arrangement between the National League champions and the Portland Coast League club.

Among the eleventh-hour jumps re-corded was that of Sandy Piez of the New York Glants to the Brooklyn Feds. Who was Sandy Piez? Well, the rec-ords do not make it quite clear, but, anyway, he drew money from the Glants for a season.

The Detroit club has booked exhibition dates for Kansas City April 8, 9 and 10. Since it will be Ty Cobb's first appearance in the recent "major league" city by the Kaw it is expected the fans will show much interest in the

twenty games and lost eleven.

The Boston National League club ar The Boston National League club announces the return of Catcher Bruggy to the Binghamton club of the New York State League and the transfer of Fletcher Lowe, the former Dartmouth College star, to Montreal of the International League under an optional agreement.

The Brooklyn National League club may not get Jimmy Johnston, late of the Oakland team, who signed a contract to play with the Feds next year after the Coast League season closed, but it will have a Johnson after all. Word comes from Tacoma that President Ebbets has closed a deal to give a trial to an outfielder named Johnson who played with Tacoma the past season.

At the meeting of the base ball rules committee this winter a special ruling will be requested to cover the following instance, which occurred on a southern professional diamond last summer. An umpire, very recently promoted from the playing ranks, was officiating behind the pitcher's box. With a runner off second the batter drove a high line drive over the huries's head and the umpire, thinking that he was still shortstopping, speared the ball and threw to second, thus completing a double play.

In addition to other honors acquired during the year, the Detroit outfield draws the prize for having been on the job more of the time than that of any other club in the American League. Of the 156 games played by Detroit, Cobb and Crawford participated in them all, while Veach missed only four. No wonder. Hughey Jennings considered Jacobson excess baggage and let him go to the Browns. The Boston triumvirate. Speaker, Lewis and Hooper, missed thirteen games.

In spite of President Tener's asser

In connection with the organization of a permanent Home Club Tennis Association, Mr. Greene has appointed the Practically all of it goes to charity, the

## Always the Same-THARP'S Berkeley Rye

812 F St. N.W. Phone Main 277. Special Private Delivery

Special Sale of Razors and Stroppers

JUBILEE RAZORS

Jubilee Razors — warranted to give satisfaction. \$2.50 dition one year free.

RAZORS IN SETS From 2 to 7 in Case \$3.00 Up to \$40.00

All the Best Safety Razors, such as Gillette, Auto-Strop, Durham-Duplex, Gem, Jr., Ever - Ready, \$1.00 UP Enders, etc.... Automatic Razor Stroppers

\$1.50 and \$2.50 Razor Strops From

Walford's, 909 Pa. Ave.

50c to \$3.00

Razor **Blades** Sharpened.

Don't throw away your Safety Razor Blades when you can get them sharpened here to equal new by our new razor-sharpening ma-chine, which we have just installed at

Howard A. French & Co., 424 9th St. N.W.

## Frank Caporel, a pitcher of the Elmira New York State League team, has been sold to the Cincinnati Reds and will report at Alexandria. Official averages of the New York State League for the season show that Caporel CYLINDER THE COOK & STODDARD CO.

The Union Garage has arranged to sell FORD Cars on time payments, or in exchange. Small cash payments required, balance monthly.

C. WALTER HOOVER, GEN. MGR., Rauch and Lang Baker Electric BARTRAM ELECTRIC GARAGE, Tel. W. 458. 1204 N. H. Ave.



"Yours for Service." 1312 14th St. N.W. BIG SACRIFICE PRICES.

BIG SACRIFICE PRICES.

1916 King "eigh" demonstrator, like new
1916 King "four" cost \$1.190 (new).

1916 King "four" demonstrator

1916 Scripps Booth, cost \$900.

Packard touring car, perfect condition.

Studebaker "30," 5-passenger, touring.

Studebaker "20," 5-passenger, touring.

WM. P. BARNHART & CO., Tel. North 196, 1707-9 14th st. n.w. Packard

The Luttrell Co., Service Station, 1214 N. H. Ave. N.W. 1916 Maxwell, "The Wonder Car," \$655.00 f. o. b. Detroit.

H. B. Leary, Jr., Distributer,

1321-23 14th St. N.W. National and Jeffery

Cars. Combs Motor Company, Vt. Ave. and H N.W. rel. M. 8761. Service Station, 1623 L St. N.W.



BOWLING SCORES.

